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A filing receipt for the above-identified patent application has been issued by the Commissioner of Patents and has been found to contain errors as shown on the attached copy. Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner issue a corrected Official Filing Receipt. Enclosed is a copy of the specification, please change the word in the title: "PRODUCING" TO "PROVIDING".

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## CONCENTRATED LIQUID COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF PROVIDING THE SAME

#### **CROSS-REFERENCE**

[0001] This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/399,552, filed July 29, 2002, which application is incorporated herein by reference.

#### TECHNICAL FIELD

[0002] This invention relates generally to concentrated compositions and methods of providing the same. In particular the concentrated detergent compositions and methods relate to super-concentrated compositions, including shampoos, having less than about 5% by weight of water prior to dilution which are dilutable to provide a ready-to-use cleanser or detergent.

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

- Liquid detergents enjoy wide consumer acceptance for numerous uses. Liquid detergents are preferred over dry granular detergents because liquid detergents can be used without having to pre-dissolve the detergent. Moreover, liquid detergents can be directly applied to stains and fabrics. The water content of these liquid detergents is approximately 90% to 95%. Many of these detergents are packaged in gallon-size containers, particularly for commercial use, and as such, are heavy (weighing approximately 9 lbs per gallon) and bulky. With these weight and space requirements, shipping and storing these containers can be very expensive. Additionally, disposal of these larger containers present environmental issues.
- [0004] For at least these reasons, recently, there has been a shift in emphasis from providing regular strength detergent formulations to concentrated detergent formulations. Liquid concentrates can reduce manufacturing and shipping costs and require less packaging.

  Consumers have reacted favorably to the concentrated formulations, and will likely continue their use so long as the products retain their cleaning efficiency.
- [0005] The surfactant concentrations found in most commercially available concentrates range from about 15% to about 26%. Typically, blends of nonionic and anionic surfactants are used to enable the detergents to remove a variety of stain types. Additional ingredients such as anti-redeposition, builders, enzymes, dye-transferring polymers and foam stabilizers